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GRIND IS OVER SOLONS DEPART

Assembly Will Put Finishing Touches To Work May 10

Closing Day Will Be Devoted To Conference Reports And Governor's Vetoes--Fertilizer Bill And Phillips' Proposition To Buy Trinity Parish House For Capitol Annex Die Natural Deaths--Tax Reform Legislation Is Leading Feature

Columbus, O., May 2.—Before recessing until May 10, the members of the legislature adopted a resolution providing that no new business shall be taken up on that date. The work of the final day was ordered confined to conference reports, concurrence in amendments, offering of resolutions, signing of bills, acting on any vetoes the governor may send and on the unauthorized deficiency bill, the only appropriation bill enacted upon.

All but the final step was taken in the big program of taxation reform, a step so notable that this general assembly doubtless will be known hereafter as the taxation legislature.

Tax Commission Bill.
The house agreed to the conference report on the Smith-Alsford tax rate limit bill unanimously. Its signing by Governor Harmon already has been forecast, thus assuring taxpayers that they can afford to be honest in their tax returns, as big duplicates will not be allowed to become an open door to public extravagance and that 1-1-2 per cent. is the ultimate rate on which their property will be taxed.

The companion bill, that of Langdon of Warren, creating a state tax commission with immense powers of valuation and assessment, was committed for final agreement as to revenue features to a conference committee. Without question, both houses will adopt the conference report on the bill, and there will be installed the machinery whereby public utility property will be valued directly at its full value in money and reassessment will be ordered, if any other property in the state is not so valued.

Both houses passed the Alsford central board bill, under which Governor Harmon will name three members of a state board of administration to manage the penitentiary, the Mansfield Reformatory, the Boys' Industrial School and the Girls' Industrial School.

In the senate, Senator Alsford announced that the house had mutilated his bill, which originally provided for a single board for all state institutions except the universities, but ended with the statement that the house amendments were satisfactory. Accordingly, the senate unanimously accepted the house bill.

The slaughter of the Woods utilities bill caused an effort to make amendments when the Ervin bill, backed by the Ohio Shippers' Association, was passed by both houses. It largely increases the powers of the state railroad commission and makes definite and certain the commission's power to supervise rates and services of railroad companies.

Kill Fertilizer Bill.
Perhaps the most important matter which failed to receive attention from the legislature was the income tax amendment to the United States

constitution, which was submitted by Governor Harmon, with recommendation for approval. Because of fear that the present legislature would disapprove it, consideration was deferred until next January.

In the closing hours of the session, when there was little time to consider amendments and protests, several meritorious bills were defeated. The Phillips fertilizer bill, wanted by thousands of Ohio farmers, was one which was given no consideration and was killed.

A bitter fight between Democratic and Republican senators, which ended in the defeat of two bills, terminated in the closing hours of the session in an amicable adjustment of their differences, and as a result both were made special orders of business for the day of final adjournment, May 10.

Agreement Is Reached.
Republicans first asked the Democrats to assist them in passing over the governor's veto, the Le Blond bill, permitting Cincinnati to pay William H. Bell, of that city, not to exceed \$8500 damages for injuries. The Democrats refused, and the veto was sustained. Republicans pounced on the unauthorized deficiency bill, carrying allowances for many claims presented by Adjutant General Weybrecht, Democrat, and it was defeated. There were many other meritorious claims in the \$40,000 which the bill carried and this action created a great row. Democrats made peace overtures, which were accepted, and an agreement was made to pass both May 10.

Among the measures left on the house calendar was the Phillips bill, authorizing the purchase of Trinity parish building for use as statehouse annex.

SAY CANTON MAN GRAFTED

Columbus, O., May 2.—Charles O. Groner, employed by the city of Canton to make repairs, grafted \$1823.32 during the three months of his service by padding supply bills and false payrolls, according to the report of an investigation by State Examiner F. A. Jackson, filed with the state accountancy bureau.

Nord Alexis Dies.
Kingston, Jamaica, May 2.—Nord Alexis, formerly president of Haiti, died here of senile decay. He was exiled here in 1908, but was pardoned by President Simon a few months ago and was preparing to return to Haiti for burial beside that of his wife. General Alexis is reputed to have died enormously rich.

Blow on Jaw Fatal.
Toledo, May 2.—While quarreling over a bottle of beer during a game of dice, Henry Jarckow, 22, received a blow on the jaw which caused his death 10 minutes later. Berney Schoers, one of the participants, is under arrest, charged with suspicion.

Jury Finds Gartner Guilty.
Chillicothe, May 2.—Nolan L. Gartner, cashier of the defunct Kingston bank, was found guilty, on a charge of having made false entries in a ledger. The jury was out 31 hours, and recommended mercy.

One Killed In Riot.
Philadelphia, May 2.—One man was shot and killed, several others were badly beaten and six arrested, from a fight said to have occurred between union and non-union employees of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company on Frankford avenue.

Cincinnati Carpenters Strike.
Cincinnati, May 2.—Refusing to accept a compromise offer of 47 1-2 cents an hour, 5000 journeymen carpenters of this city struck at 10 o'clock this morning.

Latest Photograph of King
Edward VII. of England



Every thirty days for the past year alarming reports have been sent out regarding the health of King Edward. Radical newspapers in London have gone so far as to say that the king permits the reports to be circulated just to see what his subjects do and think. A few days ago he went to Spain, and the story was circulated that he was dangerously ill. The next day he appeared in public and had his photograph taken. "He will be like the pitcher that went to the well too often," one London paper announces with due gravity. "The king must be ill, for he has been raising lots of smoke."

SCULPTOR WARD DEAD TO BE BURIED IN OHIO

New York, May 2.—John Quincy Adams Ward, the sculptor, who has been ill since February last, died at his residence here. Just before his death Mr. Ward was at work on a seated statuette of August Belmont. Mr. Ward leaves a widow, a sister,

Miss Eleanor Ward, of Urbana, O.; a stepson, R. Ostrander Smith, of Chicago, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Edgar Ward, of this city. The funeral will be at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning, at the house, and the remains will be taken to Urbana.

DEFENDS KISSING

Cambridge, Mass., May 2.—Dr. A. M. Worthington, of the Harvard medical school, in a lecture on "The Healthy Man and His Bacteria," opposed the views of other savants and doctors who declare osculation a method of gathering germs and developing subsequent illness. He defended bacteria, and said that the world devoid of microbes and germs would become lifeless. "The kiss is harmless," said Dr. Worthington. "There is every reason to believe that when two self-respecting, wholesome persons meet lip to lip, they may break away without upsetting the bacterial balance."

BRIBE STORY BEFORE JURY

Chicago, May 2.—State's Attorney Wayman brought Representative White before the special grand jury today, to repeat his confession alleging that he was paid a bribe of \$1000 for voting for William Lorimer for United States senator, and that later he got \$500 as his share of a "jack pot," or general legislation corruption fund.

Young Wife a Suicide.
Napoleon, May 2.—After sending her five-year-old child to school, Mrs. Peter Edwards, 32, drank strychnine and fell to the floor with a dying gasp that she wanted to be out of the way.

ASK BRYAN TO TALK FOR MONTH IN STATE

Indianapolis, May 2.—Chairman Jackson of the Democratic state committee will write to W. J. Bryan this week, asking him what time he can devote to the Indiana campaign and if it will be possible for him to stay in the state one month. The committee wants Bryan to speak in

every congressional district. The Democratic leaders say that Kern bore the brunt of the campaign two years ago in Bryan's fight for the presidency, and that it is no more than fair that Bryan should give at least one month of his time this year to the Indiana campaign.

MARCH TO SHOW THEIR LOYALTY

Columbus Trades Unionists Hold
Monster Parade.

STRIKE SITUATION UNCHANGED

Governor Harmon and Mayor Marshall Fail in Efforts to Induce Manager of Rail-Light Company to Arbitrate—Strikers Willing to Submit Differences to Harmon—Strike-Breakers to Be Quartered in Car Barns—Militia May See Service.

Columbus, O., May 2.—There is little change in the street car situation in this city, and probably will be none until the Rail-Light company begins to operate cars with imported strike-breakers. Governor Harmon and Mayor Marshall both made peace overtures to the management of the company, but were turned down with the simple statement that there was nothing to arbitrate. When this information was made public, Columbus people began to realize that they are up against a really and truly street car strike and the owners of express wagons and auto trucks, who have been doing a thriving passenger business, chortled in glee.

The trades unionists of the city to the number of 3000 paraded down High street, which was lined with people, to show their loyalty to the streetcar strikers. All the union bands in the city were in the line of march, and everything passed off in a quiet and peaceable manner. No attempt was made to run cars during the parade.

Only Few Cars Operated.
At no time since the strike began Friday morning has the company had more than a dozen cars in operation, and the mostly on High street, traffic in the factory districts being entirely abandoned. The cars operated on High street were followed by convoys of police in automobiles, and no attempt was made to interfere with their progress, except at one point on South High street, where the tracks had been souped and traffic blocked for an hour, and a half. Notwithstanding the police protection afforded, the cars were poorly patronized. At the South Side car barns several disturbances of a minor nature took place, and 10 arrests were made. No attempt was made to operate from the West Side barns, owing to the threatening attitude of the people in that vicinity, who by a vigorous display of their wrath turned back several drays loaded with cots which were ordered delivered there for the use of strike-breakers, who are expected to arrive on the scene at any moment, as the company has been deserted by most of its loyal employees who refused to join the union and attempted to run the cars Friday morning until the temper of the populace convinced them that as a peaceful and tranquil employment strikebreaking was in the dynamite factory class. The cots were finally delivered at the South Side barns, which have been equipped with cooking utensils and made homelike for the men who will operate cars this week.

Weybrecht Consults Governor.
So far there has been no move made to call upon Governor Harmon to bring troops to Columbus to protect the cars of the company when an attempt is made to resume the regular schedules in the outlying districts. Adjutant General Weybrecht and Governor Harmon have held numerous conferences, and it is believed that plans have been perfected whereby several regiments are to be landed here within a few hours after a call to arms is issued. Local troops will be held in reserve for extreme emergencies.

The strikers have expressed their willingness to arbitrate their differences with the company, but when Governor Harmon approached Manager Stewart, waving the olive branch of peace in his hand, he was politely informed that the company had nothing to arbitrate.

It is announced unofficially that, if troops are called out, the companies of the Third regiment, stationed at Dayton, will be the first to taste strike duty, and the Cincinnati guardsmen are second on the waiting list. Manager Stewart made a renewed demand on Mayor Marshall to place a policeman on each car, but the mayor refused, and today cars are being operated under the automobile patrol system.

New Houses.
According to insurance statistics, it requires 300,000 new houses a year to accommodate the increase in population of the United States and 80,000 more to replace those destroyed by fire.

FILIBUSTERS GO TO HELP MADRIZ

Steamer Venus Clears From Port Of New Orleans

First Object Is To Break Estrada's Blockade At Greytown, Supply Arms To Regular Nicaraguan Army, Then Sail To Bluefields And Assist In Attack On Stronghold Of The Insurgents—Attorney General Wickersham Advises Release Of Vessel

New Orleans, May 2.—Leaving the mouth of the Mississippi, the steamer Venus sailed for Greytown, Nicaragua, to break the blockade of the Estrada or revolutionary forces, destroy the Estrada fleet, furnish guns and munitions of war to the army of President Madriz, now at Greytown to the number of 4000 men, under General Vasquez, to carry that army to Bluefields, the capital of the revolutionary government in Nicaragua, assist it in capturing the town, and suppressing the revolution.

The Venus has \$150,000 worth of cannon, guns and ammunition on board consigned to private persons in Greytown, but there is no concealment of the fact that they are intended for the Madriz army. The Venus has been delayed here several weeks by litigation before the federal courts, on the charge that her carrying men and ammunition to Madriz is in violation of the neutrality laws of the United States. Attorney General Wickersham ordered United States District Attorney Beattie to intervene in the Venus libel suit, and see that the vessel was released and allowed to sail.

Grants Clearance Papers.
This he did, and Judge Foster granted the vessel her clearance. Before the attorneys for Estrada could enter a demurrer, the Venus put to sea.

The case will be appealed to the

supreme court. The Venus sails under the British flag, and has a large crew, composed, it is said, exclusively of Englishmen. Her captain entertains no doubt of her ability to break the Estrada blockade at Greytown. On the success of this cruise depends the fate of the Nicaraguan revolution. If the Venus lands her stores, there will be little chance to hold Bluefields against the Madriz army.

PEOPLE SCARED

Akron, May 2.—The East Ohio Gas company's 18-inch main burst one mile west of here, causing a terrific noise and greatly frightening the people. Many thought it was Halley's comet approaching, and others believed it was a cyclone accompanying the thunder. Millions of feet of gas escaped before the supply was shut off, 90 minutes later.

Husband of Week Killed.
Chillicothe, O., May 2.—Carl E. Albin, 26, married a week ago to Grace Hinton, was killed in a renovation.

BALL MAGNATES TO PROFIT BY VISIT OF TAFT

Pittsburg, May 2.—There wasn't any speed limit in Pittsburg or its suburbs for President Taft. For two hours and a half the president, with Captain Butt and a fleet of conveying cops and reporters, whizzed through the city, crossed the Allegheny river, shot through Little Suburbs and over rutty, dusty roads. At the end of the ride the president looked back at four panting touring cars and laughed in glee. On every car except the one in which he rode the dust was a good inch thick, and cops peered out at him from faces covered with grime.

Although Mr. Taft will attend the founders' day exercises at Carnegie institute today and will say a few things about international affairs at the banquet of the American club in the evening, the big event of the day in the eyes of Pittsburg is the ball game between the Pirates and the

Chicago Cubs at Forbes field. Most of the spectators of the city are covered with posters saying: "Go early to see President Taft at the ball game."

ARSON SUSPECTED

Cincinnati, May 2.—Fire alleged to have been of incendiary origin destroyed property covering one-half of a block in Winton place. The buildings ruined were the Cincinnati Roofing, Tile and Terra Cotta company and the Freund Roofing company. The combined loss is estimated at \$150,000.

VIEWERS ART TREASURES Roosevelt Enjoys Old Masters on Day of Rest.

Amsterdam, May 2.—For the first time since his arrival in Paris Roosevelt's cavalry coat and sombrero made their reappearance for the automobile trip from The Hague to Amsterdam, but their fame had not reached Holland, for their wearer was not recognized in the villages en route. In Haarlem, however, where the party broke their journey, to visit the flower show and to see Franz Hals' pictures in the old town hall, full compensation was made. The usual crowd had cheered the family on departing from The Hague, and

Haarlem took up the ovation, giving Roosevelt a rapturous reception. When the party arrived at Amsterdam, one of the largest crowds that has greeted Roosevelt on his European trip awaited him in the square outside the imposing Ryks museum. Here the burgomaster and the director of the museum showed the party Rembrandt's pictures, including the "Night Watch," his largest and most celebrated work, and then Rembrandt's "The Masters of the Guild." This half hour was the most peaceful Roosevelt has yet spent on his trip. The other occupants of the gallery sat or stood behind him, silent or talking in subdued whispers.